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REPRESENTED IN MULTIPLE MARKETS

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In the Office Action dated November 16, 2005, the Examiner restricted the claims to:

- Group I, claims 1-10, drawn to a method of operating an internal market;
- Group II, claims 11-15, drawn to a method of synchronizing an internal market and an external market;
- Group III, claims 16-20, drawn to a method of operating a market; and
- Group IV, claims 21-27, drawn to a method of synchronizing two markets.

Applicant elects the invention of Group I, claims 1-10. Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the non-elected claims in a further application.

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